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In response to the Office Action dated December 12, 2007, Applicant submits the following Request for Reconsideration.

Claims 28-34 and 49-61 are pending in the present application. Applicant respectfully submits that the present application is in condition for allowance and respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider the rejection and find the present application in condition for allowance based on the discussion which follows.

In the outstanding Office Action, claims 28-31 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, for allegedly being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. Specifically, with regard to claim 28, it was alleged that the claim is directed to an apparatus yet also recites method steps.

Contrary to the rejection of claims 28-31, Applicant respectfully submits that claim 28 is indefinite, in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph and M.P.E.P. § 2181. Specifically, claim 28 is directed to an apparatus which comprises a computer means which is configured or programmed to perform various functions. The claimed computer means performs the recited steps.